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C O N F I D E N T I A L SEOUL 7391

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (FORD, GERALD R.)

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL VISIT: SOVIET AIR CREWS

REF: MOSCOW 16575

1. AFTER MEETING WITH NEWLY ARRIVED ADVANCE PARTY NOV 6, CHIEF OF PROTOCOL CHI DREW DCM ASIDE FOR PRIVATE CONVERSATION. CHI SAID HE HAD BEEN OFFICIALLY INSTRUCTED TO REQUEST THAT USG INFORM GOVT OF SOVIET UNION THAT, OUT OF CONSIDERATION FOR COMFORT AND CONVENIENCE OF PRESIDENT FORD, ROKG WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO TRAVEL OF SOVIET AIR CREWS TO SEOUL FOR PURPOSE OF TRAVELING WITH PRESIDENTIAL AIRCRAFT TO VLADIVOSTOK, THUS OBTAINING NEED TO PICK UP SUCH CREWS IN JAPAN. CHI SAID ROKG WOULD PLACE NO LIMIT ON NUMBER OF SOVIET CREWS INVOLVED AND REALIZED THAT AS MANY AS FIVE OR SIX AIRCRAFT MIGHT BE REQUIRED. CREWS COULD COME EITHER ON OFFICIAL AIRCRAFT CONNECTED WITH PRESIDENTIAL VISIT OR SEPARATELY. ALL KOREANS WOULD NEED TO KNOW WOULD BE NAMES, MILITARY RANK IF ANY, FUNCTION, AND PASSPORT DATA.

2. CHI ACKNOWLEDGED THAT ROKG CONCERNED THAT REQUIREMENT FOR STOPOVER IN JAPAN WOULD CUT INTO TIME AVAILABLE FOR SEOUL VISIT AND THAT ROKG WILLINGNESS TO HAVE SOVIET CREWS COME TO SEOUL HAD CERTAIN POLITICAL MOTIVE.

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3. UNLESS DEPT OR EMBASSY MOSCOW PERCEIVE SERIOUS

OBJECTIONS, BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL IN POLITICAL  
TERMS TO PASS THIS SUGGESTION TO SOVIETS, IF ONLY TO  
TEST THEIR REACTION.  
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